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REFRIGERATOR QUICK CHILL AND THAW PAN

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PROPOSED CLAIM CHANGES FOR DISCUSSION PURPOSES

In response to the teleconference November 23, 2004, please consider the following amendment. These claim changes are provided for discussion purposes only.

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IN THE CLAIMS

6. (currently amended) A refrigerator pan assembly comprising:

a pan having a top; and

an insulated mullion assembly extending generally over the top of said pan, said mullion assembly emprising including a top surface, at least one light source extending through said top surface for illuminating a first light source configured to illuminate said top surface of said mullion assembly, a second light source configured to illuminate said pan from above, and a switch assembly mounted to said top surface for user selection of a pan condition.

- 7. (currently amended) A refrigerator pan assembly in accordance with Claim 6 further comprising a light holder for coupling said at least one light source first and second light sources to said top surface, said light holder selectively positionable between a locked position and an unlocked position.
- 8. (original) A pan assembly in accordance with Claim 7 wherein said light holder comprises a cylindrical outer surface and a projection projecting therefrom.
- 9. (currently amended) A pan assembly in accordance with Claim 8 wherein said mullion assembly comprises a bottom surface extending opposite said top surface, and an opening extending through said top surface and said bottom surface for receiving said light first and second light sources, said opening comprising having an outer perimeter and slot for receiving said projection.
- 10. (original) A pan assembly in accordance with Claim 9 wherein said mullion bottom surface comprises a retaining latch member for engaging said projection.
- 11. (original) A pan assembly in accordance with Claim 6 wherein said mullion assembly further comprises a base comprising a bottom surface extending opposite said top

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surface, and a control board mounted to said bottom surface in communication with said switch assembly.

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